BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

OCTOBER 25, 1996

IN RE: Request for Local Calling from the) ORDER

Joanna Exchange into the Laurens) GRANTING

Area Exchanges.) REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on a request for Local Calling from the Joanna Exchange into the Laurens area exchanges. It has been noted that, Joanna, presently under the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) system, presently may not call the County seat in Laurens County, and that this is the only area in Laurens County that cannot call into the County seat of Laurens. Joanna telephones have the prefix 697. In order to grant the request, BellSouth would have to allow telephones in the Joanna area with the prefix of 697 to call locally to the Laurens area to prefixes 984, 983, 682 and 683.

The Commission has examined this matter, and grants the request. It appears to this Commission that Joanna should be allowed to call Laurens, the County seat, on a local basis.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)